

TOWN OF HARTLY
P.O. Box 181
HARTLY, DE 19953

MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, February 8th, 2018

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

Meeting was called to order by Mark Maguire at 7:01 PM.

Council Present:

Suzanne Morris	Raymond Morris
Mark Maguire	Rebekah Legar

Public Attendees:

Charlotte Fox	Jim Fox, Sr.

II. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance

Suzanne provided Invocation.

Rebekah led in Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Approval of Previous Minutes/Approval of Tonight's Agenda

Suzanne motioned, Raymond 2nd, approval of previous Meeting Minutes. Motion carried:

Council Member	Yes - Agree	No – Disagree	Absent	Withhold Vote
Mark Maguire	X			
Suzanne Morris	X			
Ray Morris	X			
Rebekah Legar	X			

Suzanne motioned, Rebekah 2nd, approval of tonight's agenda. Motion carried:

Council Member	Yes - Agree	No – Disagree	Absent	Withhold Vote
Mark Maguire	X			
Suzanne Morris	X			
Ray Morris	X			
Rebekah Legar	X			

IV. Reports

a. Treasury (Suzanne Reported)

i. Citizens Bank Account

End of the Year Balance 12/31/17: \$30,460.49. Deposits: \$1,183.51.
Expenses: \$2049.08.

ii. Restitution from Richie Casson

Two payments received totaling \$100.00. Remaining balance owed:
\$85,926.50.

iii. Delaware State Police Accounting Record

Since 4/17/17, we have paid DSP \$5,001.75, Received from Courts
\$1,668.66. 1/3 of what we are paying to DSP we are getting back from the
courts. 66% loss

iv. Street Light Impact Fee

2017 Balance of Unpaid Fees \$1,200.00

v. 2017 Property Tax

14 outstanding bills. Not paid \$2145.30 in property tax.

Rebekah motioned, Raymond seconded, to accept the Treasury Report. Motion
carried:

Council Member	Yes - Agree	No – Disagree	Absent	Withhold Vote
Mark Maguire	X			
Suzanne Morris	X			
Ray Morris	X			
Rebekah Legar	X			

b. Building Permits

No permits pending.

c. Correspondence

Suzanne read all correspondence. Emails & Invitations discussed.

V. Unfinished Business

a. Sidewalks (TAP)

Jeff Nagoda, DelDOT Deputy Director of Planning, will be hosting a workshop February
20th from 4pm -7 pm at the Firehouse. Residents will be afforded the opportunity to
view plans and ask questions.

b. Delaware State Police/Speeding/Road Signage

The Town is picking the times of day that DSP is here. DSP picks the days according to
their availability. On average, DSP is writing 5-7 speeding violations every time they are
here. The road signs have been purchased and arrived. DelDot will be installing them in
the very near future.

c. Grass Cutting / Town Ordinance

Violation fees were discussed to assure that the town will not incur any costs when hiring lawn care services when ordinances are violated.

Suzanne motioned, Rebekah seconded, to increase the amounts to \$50 first offense, \$100 2nd offense, \$150 3rd offense and all other offenses, plus incurred costs, and the Administration Fee increased to \$25. Changes to ordinance will be drafted and presented at next meeting for approval. Motion carried:

Council Member	Yes - Agree	No – Disagree	Absent	Withhold Vote
Mark Maguire	X			
Suzanne Morris	X			
Ray Morris	X			
Rebekah Legar	X			

d. Town Sign

Rebekah motioned, Raymond seconded, to obtain three bids on a new town sign and present at next meeting. Motion carried:

Council Member	Yes - Agree	No – Disagree	Absent	Withhold Vote
Mark Maguire	X			
Suzanne Morris	X			
Ray Morris	X			
Rebekah Legar	X			

e. Other unfinished business as needed:

None

VI. New Business

a. 2018 Election Notifications

Notifications of Election will be posted. Raymond & Suzanne's terms are up for renewal. Rebekah needs to be voted in plus there is also a vacant council position. If an election is needed, April 28th from 2pm – 4pm, the meeting room of the firehouse is reserved.

b. Town Parcel Consolidation

Ms. Bonnie Carden owns two lots in town. One of her lots is empty and the county ran the sewer system under it so it cannot be developed. She sent an email to the town requesting that both of her parcels (9-10-06319-01-5100-000 & 9-10-06319-01-5000-000) be consolidated into one lot.

Motion made by Suzanne, seconded by Raymond, to approve consolidation of both of Ms. Carden's lots but Ms. Carden must handle Kent County process. Motion carried:

Council Member	Yes - Agree	No – Disagree	Absent	Withhold Vote
Mark Maguire	X			
Suzanne Morris	X			
Ray Morris	X			
Rebekah Legar	X			

VII. Public Comment / Council Member Comment

Mr. & Mrs. Fox questioned the need for the Street Light Tax to continue due to the Delmarva Power bill being current now. The Council explained that the fee was lessened by \$25 but is necessary to ensure electric bill is paid. Council further explained that this fee is a much more fair approach to apply the same fee to the whole town versus increasing taxes which is based on parcel values.

VIII. Adjournment

Suzanne motioned, Rebekah seconded, to adjourn, motion carried.

Council Member	Yes - Agree	No – Disagree	Absent	Withhold Vote
Mark Maguire	X			
Suzanne Morris	X			
Ray Morris	X			
Rebekah Legar	X			